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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Mount et al.

Group Art Unit: 1647

Serial No.: 10/505,263

Examiner: Bunner, Bridget

Filed: July 29, 2005

Docket No.: 1242/50/2 PCT/US

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For: CLONING AND CHARACTERIZATION OF SLC26A6, SLC26A1, AND SLC26A2 ANION EXCHANGERS

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT
AND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is responsive to the Restriction/Election Requirement dated October 3, 2007, having a 1-month term for Response that will expire on November 5, 2007. Since November 3, 2007 is a Saturday, the deadline automatically rolls to Monday, November 5, 2007. Favorable consideration is respectfully requested in view of the following Election and Remarks.